

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS**

1           1.     A communication device comprising:  
2           a communication device body adapted for a first mode of operation;  
3           a display screen disposed in a generally parallel relationship with the device body in  
4     said first mode of operation; and  
5           pivoting means disposed between said display screen and said device body for  
6     permitting said display screen to pivot into a position generally orthogonal to said device  
7     body for a second mode of operation.

1           2.     The device of claim 1, wherein said second mode of operation comprises  
2     gaming and said device further comprises a gaming pad disposed on the communication  
3     device body and beneath the display screen.

4           3.     The device of claim 2, wherein the gaming pad is hidden when the  
5     communication device is in the first mode of operation and the gaming pad is visible when  
6     the communication device is in the second mode of operation.

1           4.     The device of claim 2, wherein the gaming pad is actuated during the second  
2     mode of operation.

1           5.     The device of claim 2, wherein the gaming pad comprises directional arrows.

1           6.     The device of claim 2, wherein the gaming pad comprises a plurality of  
2 buttons.

1           7.     The device of claim 6, wherein at least one of the plurality of buttons is a  
2 pause button.

1           8.     The device of claim 2, wherein the gaming pad comprises a joystick.

1           9.     The device of claim 1, wherein the pivoting means comprises a hinge.

1           10.    The device of claim 1, further comprising a key array, the key array including  
2 a plurality of keys.

1           11.    The device of claim 10, wherein at least one of the plurality of keys is  
2 actuated during the second mode of operation.

1           12.    The device of claim 11, wherein the at least one of the plurality of keys  
2 actuated during the second mode of operation includes an additional indicia.

1           13.    The device of claim 1, wherein the pivoting means is oriented as a protrusion  
2 for sliding in a track.

1           14.     A method of operating a communication device in a first mode and a second  
2 mode, the method comprising the steps of:

3           rotating a pivotal upper portion of the communication device into the second mode;  
4           actuating specific keys of the communication device for receiving user input; and  
5           rotating the pivotal upper portion into the first mode to end the second mode.

1           15.     The method of claim 14 wherein the first mode of operation is  
2 telecommunication and the method further comprises the steps of:

3           determining whether the communication device is receiving an incoming call; and  
4           alerting a user of the incoming call.

1           16.     The method of claim 15, wherein the step of alerting the user comprises the  
2 steps of:

3           alerting the user via at least one of an audio, visual, and tactile alert; and  
4           pausing the second mode.

1           17.     The method of claim 16, wherein if the user determines not to answer the  
2 incoming call, then the second mode is unpaused.

1           18.     The method of claim 14, further comprising the step of answering the  
2 incoming call by rotating the pivotal upper portion into the first mode.

1           19.     The method of claim 14, wherein the step of actuating specific keys comprises  
2 the steps of:

3           actuating a gaming pad; and

4           actuating at least one key in a key array.

1           20.     The method of claim 14, further comprising the step of actuating a second  
2 mode application by rotating the pivotal upper portion of the communication device.

1           21.     The method of claim 14, wherein the second mode is a gaming mode.

1           22.     The method of claim 14, wherein the second mode is a messaging mode.

1           23.     A communication device comprising:

2           a communication device body in a first position adapted for a first mode of operation;

3           a display screen disposed in a generally parallel relationship with the device body in  
4 said first mode of operation;

5           pivoting means disposed between said display screen and said device body for

6 permitting said display screen to pivot into a second position for a second mode of operation;

7 and

8           wherein in the first mode of operation, keys of the communication device are located

9 on one side of the display screen and in the second mode of operation, keys of the

10 communication device are located on at least two sides of the display screen.

1           24.     The communication device of claim 23, wherein the first mode is a  
2     communication mode.

1           25.     The communication device of claim 23, wherein the second mode is a gaming  
2     mode.

1           26.     The communication device of claim 23, wherein the second mode is a  
2     messaging mode.

1           27.     The communication device of claim 23, further comprising a gaming pad  
2     disposed on the communication device body and beneath the display screen.

1           28.     The communication device of claim 27, wherein the gaming pad is hidden  
2     when the communication device is in the first mode of operation and the gaming pad is  
3     visible when the communication device is in the second mode of operation.

1           29.    A communication device comprising:  
2           a communication device body in a first position adapted for a first mode of operation;  
3           a display screen disposed in a generally parallel relationship with the device body in  
4   said first mode of operation;  
5           pivoting means disposed between said display screen and said device body for  
6   permitting said display screen to pivot into a second position for a second mode of operation;  
7   and  
8           wherein in the first mode of operation, the communication device is operable by one  
9   hand of a user and in the second mode of operation, the communication device is operable by  
10   two hands of a user.

1           30.    The communication device of claim 29, wherein the first mode is a  
2   communication mode.

1           31.    The communication device of claim 29, wherein the second mode is a gaming  
2   mode.

1           32.    The communication device of claim 29, wherein the second mode is a  
2   messaging mode.

1           33.    The communication device of claim 29, further comprising a gaming pad  
2   disposed on the communication device body and beneath the display screen.

1           34.    The communication device of claim 33, wherein the gaming pad is hidden  
2    when the communication device is in the first mode of operation and the gaming pad is  
3    visible when the communication device is in the second mode of operation.